



10205.020
PATENT

11
2/28/02
JH
(JHE)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: : Art Unit: 2644
Thomasson : Examiner: J. Harold
Serial No.: 09/476,468 : Date: February 22, 2002
Filed: December 30, 1999 :
For: *Band-by-Band Full Duplex Communication*

RECEIVED

FEB 28 2002

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS EXPRESS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO:
COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS;
Box CPA
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231, ON: FEB 22, 2002

Date of Deposit

Paul G. Wille

2-22-02

Signature

Date

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

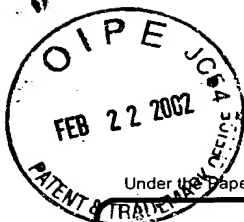
Further in response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2001, the following remarks are presented.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 2, and 5-12 are pending. Claims 5, 6, and 7 are re-written in independent form with no change in scope intended. The omission noted by the Examiner was inadvertent in the "cut and paste" changes made to the claims. No change in scope was made. Claims 6, 9, 10, and 12 were indicated as allowable in substance.

PLEASE ENTER
3/30/02
TJH



02-25-02

40

CPA 12644/11
#10
2/28/02
20Approved for use through 10/31/2002 OMB 0651-0032
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)
REQUEST TRANSMITTAL**

Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing.

(Only for Continuation or Divisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(d))

CHECK BOX, if applicable:

☐ DUPLICATE

Address to:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box CPA
Washington, DC 20231Attorney Docket No.
of Prior Application

10205.020

First Named Inventor

Thomasson

Examiner Name

Harold

Group Art Unit

2644

Express Mail Label No.

ET 841 957 416 US

This is a request for a ☒ continuation or ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d),
(continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09 / 476,468
filed on DEC 30, 1999, entitled Band-by-Band Full Duplex Communication

NOTES

FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. Effective May 29, 2000, a CPA may only be filed in a utility or a plant application if the prior nonprovisional application was filed before May 29, 2000. A CPA may be filed in a design application regardless of the filing date of the prior application. See "Request for Continued Examination Practice changes to and Provisional Application Practice," Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office (Apr. 11, 2000).

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket.

35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 CFR 1.78(a).

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

1. ☒ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on December 10, 2001
under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
2. ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
 - a. ☐ **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
.....
 - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
5. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
 - a. ☐ PTO-1449
 - b. ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

RECEIVED**FEB 28 2002****Technology Center 2600**

[Page 1 of 2]

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.4 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box CPA, Washington, DC 20231.

02/26/2002 MGE BREM1 00000146 09476468

01 FC:231

370.00 OP

CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
	TOTAL CLAIMS <small>(37 CFR 1.16(c) or (j))</small>	-20* =		x \$ _____ =	\$ _____
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS <small>(37 CFR 1.16(b) or (i))</small>	-3** =		x \$ _____ =	\$ _____
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+ \$ _____ =	\$ _____
				BASIC FEE <small>(37 CFR 1.16)</small>	740.00
	Total of above Calculations =				740.00
	Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.27).				370.00
	* Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent. ** Reissue independent claims over original patent.				TOTAL = 370.00

6. ☒ Small entity status: Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
7. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. _____:
- a. ☐ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- b. ☐ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.17.
- c. ☐ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.18.
8. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 370.00 is enclosed.
9. ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
10. ☐ Applicant requests suspension of action under 37 CFR 1.103(b) for a period of _____ months (not to exceed 3 months) and the fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) is enclosed.
11. ☐ New Attorney Docket Number, if desired _____
[Prior application Attorney Docket Number will carryover to this CPA unless a new Attorney Docket Number has been provided herein.]
12. a. ☐ Receipt For Facsimile Transmitted CPA (PTO/SB/29A)
- b. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (Should be specifically itemized, See MPEP 503)
13. ☐ Other: _____

RECEIVED

FEB 28 2002

Technology Center 2600

NOTE: The prior application's correspondence address will carry over to this CPA UNLESS a new correspondence address is provided below.

14. NEW CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

☐ Customer Number or Bar Code Label

or ☐ New correspondence address below

(Insert Customer No. or Attach bar code label here)

Name					
Address					
City	State	Zip Code			
Country	Telephone	Fax			

15. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print IType)	Paul F. Wille
Signature	<i>Paul F. Wille</i>
Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	25,274
Date	February 22, 2002